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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A kit holding adapter designed for holding an analyzer for analyzing a target analyte in a sample together with a sampling tool for taking a sample, the sampling tool including an operating portion and a sampling tip, the kit holding adapter comprising:
a first holding portion for holding the analyzer; and
a second holding portion for holding the sample tool;
wherein the second holding portion includes an upper opening for exposing the operation portion of the sampling tool, and a lower opening for exposing the sampling tip of the sampling tool.
2. (Canceled)
3. (Currently Amended) The kit holding adapter according to claim [[2]] 1, wherein ~~at least one of the first and second holding portions~~ portion includes an upper opening for partly exposing the analyzer, and a side opening communicating with the upper opening of the first holding portion or the sampling tool for enabling at least either the analysis of the sample by the analyzer and the sampling by the sampling tool while the analyzer or the sampling tool is held by the adapter.
4. (Currently Amended) The kit holding adapter according to claim [[2]] 1, wherein the first holding portion and the second holding portion are separated by a partition wall, the partition wall being formed with a cutout ~~which conducting~~ for communicating an inside of the first holding portion with an inside of the second holding portion.
5. (Currently Amended) The kit holding adapter according to claim [[2]] 1, wherein the first and second holding portions are integrally formed as one piece.

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6. (Currently Amended) The kit holding adapter according to claim 1, ~~which comprises~~ further comprising:
a main body integrated with the first and second holding portions for holding the analyzer and the sampling tool; and
an article holding portion for containing articles used for at least one of the analyzer and the sampling tool, or other items used in conjunction with the sample analysis or the sampling.
7. (Canceled)
8. (Original) The kit holding adapter according to claim 6, wherein the article holding portion includes a plurality of containing rooms.
9. (Original) The kit holding adapter according to claim 6, wherein the article holding portion is removably attached to the main body.
10. (Currently Amended) The kit holding adapter according to claim 6, wherein the article holding portion is integrally formed with the main body as one piece.
11. (Currently Amended) The kit holding adapter according to claim ~~[[2]]~~ 1, further comprising a spacer for providing a spacing between an inner surface of the first holding portion and an outer surface of the analyzer, and/or between an inner surface of the second holding portion and an outer surface of the sampling tool.
12. (Original) The kit holding adapter according to claim 11, wherein the spacer comprises a plurality of protrusions projecting from at least one of the inner surfaces of the first and second holding portions.
13. (Original) The kit holding adapter according to claim 12, wherein the plurality of protrusions are bendable or removable when the analyzer or the sampling tool is inserted into the first holding portion or the second holding portion, respectively.

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14. (Original) The kit holding adapter according to claim 13, wherein the plurality of protrusions include plural kinds of protrusions having different heights.

15. (Original) The kit holding adapter according to claim 11, wherein the spacer is formed of an elastic material.

16. (Original) The kit holding adapter according to claim 1, wherein the analyzer comprises a blood sugar measuring device.

17. (Original) The kit holding adapter according to claim 1, wherein the sampling tool comprises a lancing device used for piercing a lancing element into skin.